

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING
LOK SABHA**

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CHARGED CRICKET PLAYERS ON DD
BRIJBHUSHAN SHARAN SINGH

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

- (a) the cricket players charged in the match fixing case have figured in the advertisement shown on the Doordarshan;
- (b) whether the Government on its own level will immediately stop telecast of these advertisements on Doordarshan;
- (c) if so, by when; and
- (d) if not, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a): Prasar Bharati has intimated that Doordarshan was carrying advertisements which had the cricket players who were subsequently charged in the match fixing case. After the scandal broke out, advertisers on their own have stopped their advertisements on Doordarshan.

(b) to (d): Prasar Bharati has full functional powers to decide programme matters including advertisements shown on Doordarshan and the Government does not get involved in these decisions.